

Worksheet 2: Limits and continuity

Exercise 1. Find the domain of each function using interval notation

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 1. h(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{2-x}} & 2*. h(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1-|x|}{2-|x|}} & 3*. h(x) = \ln \ln \ln x \\
 4. h(x) = \frac{1}{[x]} & 5. h(x) = (1 + \ln x)^{\frac{1}{x}} & 6. h(x) = \frac{1}{\sin x} \\
 7. h(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x^2-1}{x^3-1}} & 8. h(x) = \ln(1 - \cos 2x) & 9. h(x) = \ln \left(\frac{2-|x|}{|x|-1} \right)
 \end{array}$$

Exercise 2. Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$. Determine for each function ,(according to the values of a) the domain of definition of

$$1. h_1(x) = \sqrt{a^2 - |x| + x^2} \quad 2. h_2(x) = \ln \left(\frac{1-ax}{1+ax} \right)$$

and study its parity

Exercise 3. Find the function f given by the following formula.

$$1. f(x-2) = \frac{1}{x+3}; x \neq 3 \quad 2. f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = x^4 + 1 \quad 3. f\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}; x \neq 0$$

Exercise 4. The function f is defined on the closed interval $[0, 1]$. Determine the set A on which the following composite functions can certainly be defined

$$1. h(x) = f(x^4) \quad 2. h(x) = f(\sin x) \quad 3. h(x) = f(x+3) \quad 4. h(x) = f(\ln x)$$

Exercise 5. Let the function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given with the formula

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

Find the formula that gives the functions f_n defined on \mathbb{R} by

$$f_n = \underbrace{f \circ f \circ f \circ \dots \circ f}_n, n \geq 2$$

Exercise 6. Let

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{1+|x|}$$

1. Show that f is a bijection and find its inverse function.
2. Using the basic definition of monotony, show that f is strictly increasing function

Exercise 7. Check whether the following functions are periodic; if yes, find their basic periods T , if any.

$$1. h(x) = \sin^2 x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad 2. h(x) = \sin(x^2), \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \quad 3. h(x) = \sin(|x|)$$

Exercise 8. Study the parity of

$$1. h(x) = \frac{\tan x - x}{x^3 \cos x} \quad 2. h(x) = \frac{\sin^2(2x) - \cos(3x)}{\tan x}, \quad 3. h(x) = \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

Exercise 9. Say if the following functions are periodic

$$1.h_1(x) = \cos\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) + \cos(x) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(3x) + \frac{1}{3} \cos(5x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$2^*.h_2(x) = \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$3^*.h_3(x) = \sin(5x) + \cos(3x + 1), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

Exercise 10. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$ such that

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} : f(x) = f(x-1)f(x+1) \quad (0.1)$$

1. Show that f is a periodic function

2. Check that the functions $x \mapsto e^{\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{3}\right)}$ and $x \mapsto e^{\sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{3}\right)}$ are solutions to the equation (0.1)

3. Try to another solution to equation (0.1)

Exercise 11. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{2x}{|x| + 1}.$$

1. Show that f is bounded is bounded on \mathbb{R} .
2. Show that f is an odd function .

Exercise 12. Using the abstract definitions of limits, show that

$$\begin{array}{lll} \lim_{x \rightarrow 4} (2x - 1) = 7 & \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{3x - 1}{2x + 1} = \frac{3}{2} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{x} - 1}{\sqrt[3]{x} + 1} = \frac{3}{2} \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \sqrt[n]{x} = \sqrt[n]{a}, \quad a > 0 & \lim_{x \rightarrow -3^+} \frac{4}{x + 3} = +\infty & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + x + 1} - 1}{x} = \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

Exercise 13. Let $f :]-a, a[\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$ be a real function satisfying

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(f(x) + \frac{1}{f(x)} \right) = 2$$

Show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = 1$$

Exercise 14. Give an example of function f satisfying

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)f(2x) = 0$$

and the limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ does not exist

Exercise 15. Show that the following limits do not exist

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos(\ln x) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \sin \frac{x^3}{x^2 + 1}$$

Exercise 16. **Let $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be periodic functions of periods a and b such that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x)}{x} = u \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x)}{x} = v \in \mathbb{R}^*$$

Compute

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{f((3 + \sqrt{7})^n a)}{f((2 + \sqrt{2})^n b)}$$

Exercise 17. Let f a real function given by the following formula

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x & \text{if } x \leq -1 \\ x^2 + 1 & \text{if } -1 < x \leq 0 \\ \sin \frac{x}{4} & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

1. Compute the following limits

$$\begin{array}{lll} \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} f(x) & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) & \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^-} f(x) \\ \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} f(x) & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) & \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi^+} f(x) \end{array}$$

2. What about

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} f(x)$$

Exercise 18. Compute the following limits

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^8 + 12x^6 + 3x^3}{x^7 + 4x^6 + x^5 + x^3} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3 - 8}{x^2 - 4} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^{101} - 101x + 100}{x^2 - 2x + 1}$$

Exercise 19. Compute the following limits

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x-2}{\sqrt{x+2}-2} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 8} \frac{\sqrt{8+x}-4}{\sqrt[3]{x}-2} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+x+1}-x-1}{x}$$

$$2. \lim_{x \rightarrow a^+} \frac{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{a}+\sqrt{x-a}}{\sqrt{x^2-a^2}}, a > 0 \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[n]{1+x}-1}{x}, n \in \mathbb{Z}^*$$

$$3^{**}. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[n]{1+ax} \cdot \sqrt[m]{1+bx}-1}{x} \text{ with } a, b \in \mathbb{R}^*, m, n \in \mathbb{Z}^*$$

Exercise 20. Compute the following limits

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(ax)}{\sin(bx)}, a, b \in \mathbb{R}^* \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{\sin(2x) \sin x} - \frac{1}{\sin^2 x}$$

$$2. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(2x^3)-1}{\sin^6(2x)} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{1+x \sin x} - \sqrt{\cos x}},$$

$$3^{**}. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(a+2x)-2\cos(a+x)+\cos(a)}{x^2}, a \in \mathbb{R}^*$$

Exercise 21. Compute the following limits

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin(\sqrt{x+1}-1)}{x}, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{1+x \sin x} - \sqrt{\cos x}}$$

$$2^{**}. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt[m]{\cos(ax)} - \sqrt[n]{\cos(bx)}}{x^2}, a, b \in \mathbb{R}, m, n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \sin \sqrt{x+1} - \sin \sqrt{x},$$

Exercise 22. Compute the following limits

$$1^{**}. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x}{a} \left[\frac{b}{x} \right], b, c \in \mathbb{R}_+^* \quad 2. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \left[x - \frac{1}{x} \right] \quad 3^{**}. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[\ln x]}{x} \quad 4. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[\ln \sqrt{x}]}{x}$$

Exercise 23. Compute the following limits

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} & \left(x^2 \left(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + \left[\frac{1}{x} \right] \right) \right) \\ 2^{**}. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} & \left(\left[\frac{1}{x} \right] + 2 \left[\frac{2}{x} \right] + 3 \left[\frac{3}{x} \right] + \dots + \left[\frac{k}{x} \right] \right), k \in \mathbb{N}^* \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 24. ** Let a a real parameter and $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + x + 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \\ ax^3 + bx + 2 & \text{if } x < 1. \end{cases}$$

Study the continuity of f on \mathbb{R}

Exercise 25. Let λ a real parameter and $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-x} & \text{if } x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + \lambda x}} & \text{if } x > \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Exercise 26. **Let $a > 0$ a real parameter and $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + x + \frac{1}{a} & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ \frac{\sin ax}{x} + (x - a)[x] - \sqrt{x} & \text{if } 0 < x \leq a. \end{cases}$$

Exercise 27. **Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{1+e^{\frac{1}{x}}} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Study the continuity of this function on its domain of definition.

Exercise 28. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin x}{x} & \text{if } x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Study the continuity of this function on its domain of definition.

Exercise 29. **Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{\frac{1}{x}} & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x^2 \ln(1 + \frac{1}{x}) & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Study the continuity of this function on its domain of definition.

Exercise 30. **Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 + x\sqrt{x} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 1 + \ln(1 + x^2) & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Study the continuity of this function on its domain of definition.

Exercise 31. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the function defined by :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\ln(1 + 2x^2)}{x} - 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ b & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x^2 + x - a & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Determine the real numbers $a; b$ so that f is continuous on \mathbb{R} ; in particular at the point $x = 0$.